

September 1, 2022

Catherine S. Blakespear
Mayor

The Honorable Gavin Newsom State Capital Building 1st Floor Sacramento, California 95814

RE: AB 2257, Boerner-Horvath: State lands: oil and gas leases: cost study.

Joe Mosca
Deputy Mayor

Dear Governor Newsom,

Kellie Shay Hinze Council Member I am writing to express the City of Encinitas' support for AB 2257 (Boerner-Horvath) State lands: oil and gas leases: cost study. This bill would require the State Lands Commission to develop a cost study that measures the fiscal impact of a voluntary buy-out of any lease interests of actively producing offshore oil and gas leases in state waters.

Tony Kranz Council Member A recent oil spill off the coast of California in October 2021 highlights the need and urgency of decommissioning and removing oil rigs to relieve potential future threats to the health and safety of Californians and tourists while protecting the economic value of our coastline.

By investing in a study, California can have a better understanding of the costs and consequences of buyouts of the remaining offshore oil and gas leases. For this reason, the City of Encinitas supports AB 2257.

Joy Lyndes Council Member

Sincerely,

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